

***3.16.23 Questions:

- 1) Now that most restrictions have been lifted and life appears to be getting back to “normal,” how do we guard against falling into that “business as usual” mindset and forgetting where we are on the kingdom calendar? What can we do to stay grounded in the truth?
- 2) As Pastor JD said, those in Jerusalem started believing they could “make Judah great again” because the Babylonians had left. We see the same thing happening here in America today. How can a country’s greatness affect its relationship with God? For example, when a country is prospering, do they feel they need God?
- 3) Read 1 Peter 1:13. We’re to set all our hope on the grace that Jesus will bring when He’s revealed. What are some worldly things that bring us comfort and security that the enemy tries to get us to put our hope in? How do we feel at the thought of some of these comforts being taken from us?
- 4) Pastor JD referred to the saying that we can be so heavenly minded that we’re no earthly good. He believes the opposite, that the more heavenly minded we are, the more earthly good we are. What are your thoughts on this? Have you become more heavenly minded these past few years? Has this changed how you live your daily life?
- 5) He said God has changed his heart and he now looks at people differently, as opportunities to see them through the lens of eternity. Knowing that the rapture can happen at any moment, do you find yourself viewing the lost in a new light?
- 6) According to a new survey, since the Covid-19 lockdowns, a Biblical worldview is even “closer to extinction.” It found that 96 percent of Americans do not hold to a Biblical worldview. What does this say about the state of our churches in these last days?
- 7) Pastor JD said, “The reason the rapture is unexpected and the people are unprepared is because today’s pulpits are self-silenced of any such warning.” Discuss your own churches. Do your pastor and staff teach prophecy or warn of our current times?
- 8) Speaking of expecting the rapture, Pastor JD said, “Get your affairs in order.” What does that look like, and how can you be ready to meet Jesus?

Supplemental questions if you have extra time:

1. Do you feel alone in your family and circle of friends knowing what you know and seeing what you see?
2. Do you have someone in your life who you can talk to and relate to about Bible prophecy and the coming rapture?
3. Are you ever ridiculed for what you believe?

If you find yourselves relating to others in your small group, consider exchanging email addresses or connecting on social media. We need each other now more than ever.